

**REMARKS**

Applicants are submitting this Amendment in response to the Office Action (Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment) dated October 25, 2005, in which the Examiner noted that the previously filed Amendment dated October 19, 2005 was non-compliant due to improper status identifier of claim 42. In response, Applicants provide the proper status of claim 42 in this Amendment, along with a complete listing of the claims as presented in the Amendment filed on October 19, 2005. Applicants respectfully submit that this matter is now believed to be resolved with this Amendment.

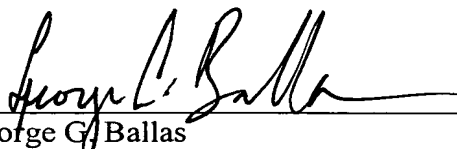
Applicants believe the foregoing arguments place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. *A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.*

Respectfully submitted,

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